

We are in this world to provide not for ourselves, but for others, and that is the basis of economy.—Woodrow Wilson.

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NURSE TELLS OF WOMEN'S HEROISM SHOWN IN EUROPE

Woman Who is Recently From Scenes of Carnage Gives Graphic Accounts

With stories not voluntarily offered, but flowing freely upon request that would inspire an orator to the highest passion of his powers or an artist to his deepest reds or an author to the crying appeal of his facile pen, a woman physician, Dr. D. Smiley, direct from the carnage of Europe, is in Honolulu.

Although her tales are strong enough, awful and forceful enough to make one's face twitch in appreciation of the horror, she says, like the wonders of Kilauca, its terrors, its appalling magnitude can not be understood until really seen and lived in and then it is unbelievable.

Dr. Smiley has been in Honolulu for three weeks and will probably be here for another month. She comes to Hawaii from London for a complete rest from the terrific strain behind the lines, and she has found complete relaxation in the soft southern sun and air.

Miss Dorothy McIntosh of San Francisco is traveling with Dr. Smiley and they are together at the Moana Hotel. The doctor says there will be plenty of time yet for her to follow her work for she believes the war will continue through this year. She had expected to sail through the West Indies, but there are khaki clad soldiers there and her doctors refused, saying she would be at work again if she got in sight of such soldiers.

When the Allies finally conquer, it will be largely through help of the women, according to the doctor, for the fair sex has risen in every one of those nations against Germany, not only at home but behind the trenches, to bear the full brunt of the sorrows and despair of war.

"But it isn't war," says the doctor. "One can hardly call it that. When men rip open their own chests that they may get air into their lungs in place of the deadly chlorine gas, is that war? When charming women, accustomed to every luxury, sacrifice their health and beauty, position and wealth, their life happiness and their loved ones, is that war? And when aged Belgians and innocent babies drop starving in their tracks, is that war? No! It is worse than what you great General Staffs and I say."

There are two great armies in Europe behind every fighting front. One is the army of the starving, the struggling, the living; the other, the wounded, the dying, the slain. It is with this latter brotherhood that Dr. Smiley and her sisters go, relieving, cheering and nursing those who have fallen, some never to rise again.

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Legislature is Asked to Lower Cost of Living

In a letter addressed to "Hon. Holstine and members of the legislature," and signed by "Kamal," the members of the house of representatives are asked to do something to reduce the high cost of living in Honolulu.

The letter, which is self-explanatory, reads as follows: "Please, can you make some law for make eat stuff more cheap. I poor man got 11 children, and I make \$2 one day sometime, and sometime nothing. This time flower two much, one onion 5 cents, four potatoes 10 cents, fish before 40 cents, this time 50 cents. Somebody say because war make so. I think some man with more brains make some law so make cheap the things to eat. If not we die. Then rich mans got more rich, the poor man got more poor man all time. I think you please you make law for help poor people. If not my babies no can live."

"Please you help the poor peoples."

I have seen service in India and in the Boer war in South Africa, but others, many of whom have known only luxury, are magnificent. Every one knows what they are doing at home and now I understand they are going over as carpenters. Think of it—women building barracks for soldiers!

The doctor avers that the women stand the strain only because they know they must; that the men up front are dying that they may live and that although women are not allowed on the firing line, they must do their best behind driving ambulances, anything; often with shells dropping among them and buildings tumbling down about them.

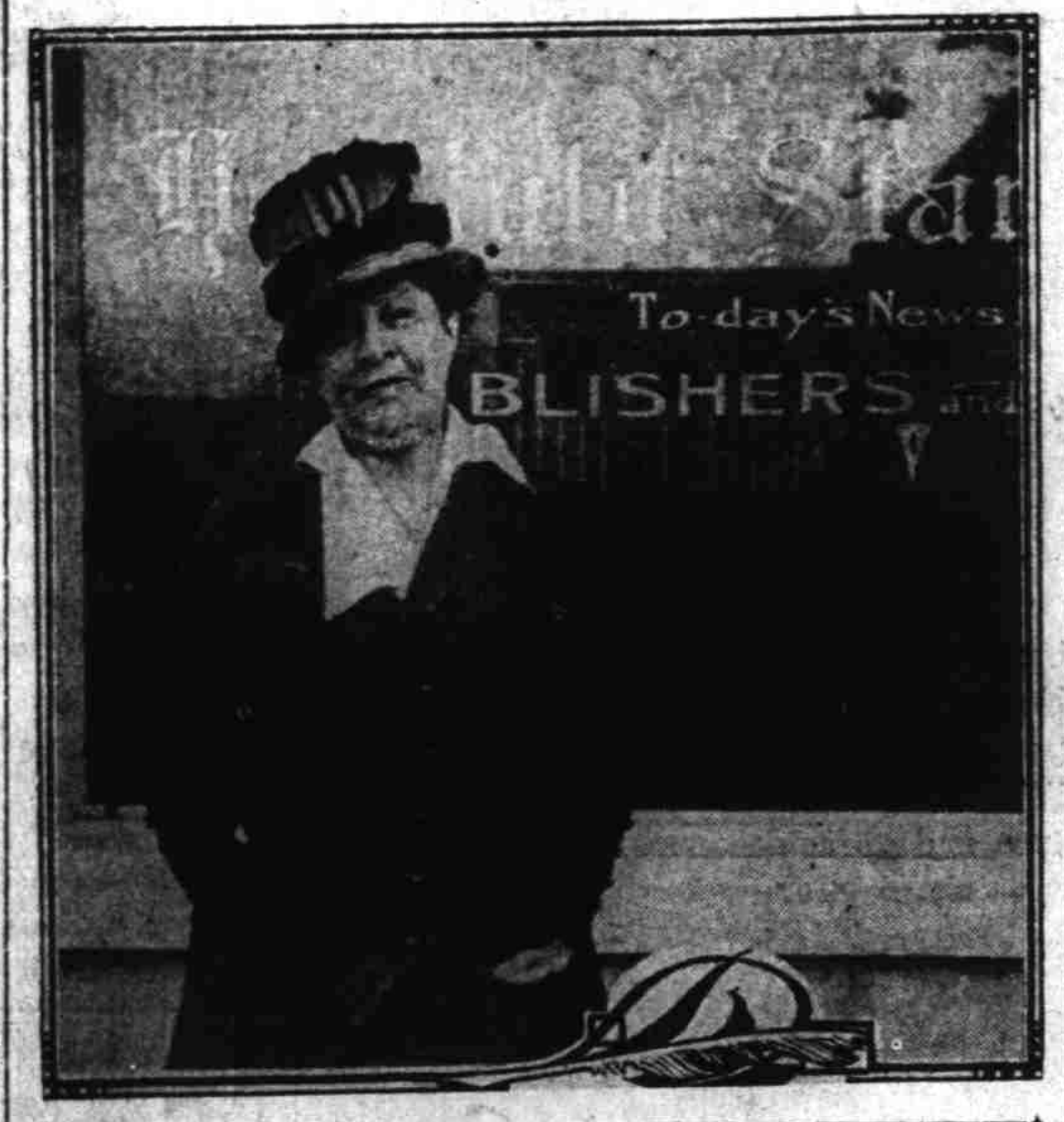
Two stars indicate Dr. Smiley's rank, which is lieutenant in her organization, the British army medical which works in conjunction with the American ambulances and the American Red Cross. The English soldiers are not only at home but behind the trenches, to bear the full brunt of the sorrows and despair of war.

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MILLIONS READ WHAT SHE SAYS Dorothy Dix Visits Hawaii



Mrs. Elizabeth Meriwether Gilmer (Dorothy Dix), best-known and best-loved of newspaper-women, now enjoying the "Isles of Peace."

Dorothy Dix, known and beloved by literally millions of readers not only in the United States but in every land, is visiting in Honolulu.

Few people in the city knew until the Star-Bulletin published the fact a few days ago that Mrs. Elizabeth Meriwether Gilmer, registered with Mr. Gilmer at the Moana Hotel, is the famous author, said to be the highest paid woman newspaper writer in the world, who a few weeks ago was secured by the big Wheeler syndicate to write for it and its clients exclusively.

For many years she has been identified with the Hearst papers. Her pen-name, "Dorothy Dix," is known wherever there are newspapers and newspaper readers. With the change to the Wheeler syndicate came a long-expected opportunity to travel and Mrs. Gilmer will tour part of the Orient before returning to the mainland United States.

Very enthusiastic about Honolulu, very cordial, very much delighted with life itself is this keen-witted, versatile, whole-hearted, newspaper woman. She is enjoying her stay in Hawaii very much, and it is safe to say that her pen will add to the appreciative adjectives now given in verbal praise of the "Paradise of the Pacific."

She began her newspaper work on the New Orleans Times-Picayune and from a recent issue of this noted Southern paper is taken the following sketch of her career:

Just a little more than 20 years ago, a fearful, nervous young woman timidly tendered the literary editor of the old Picayune a "contribution." Her "heart in her mouth," so to speak, she waited at the desk while the critical editorial eye glanced down the closely written pages, and gulped in astonishment and delight when the editor handed her over three dollars. It meant acceptance; the pathway to literary fame was open to her.

That fearful, nervous little woman was Elizabeth Meriwether Gilmer, since known wherever great newspapers and magazines are read as "Dorothy Dix." It was the beginning of Dorothy Dix's brilliant career as a writer of a quaint philosophy of the human heart that has a wide and general appeal, and a force that compels the appreciation of its basis in sound logic.

Her triumphs have been great and many. She has been "brow-bound with the oak" of literary achievement, in the hard lists of battle where only true merit, the outgrowth of certain genius, wins, and in America and throughout the world where the English language is spoken Dorothy Dix is known, and her philosophy and humorous articles are read with an interest that few great writers have been able to command from the public.

Twenty years ago last May Mrs. Gilmer wrote her first article for the Picayune, signed "Dorothy Dix." After working four years for the Picayune, her articles attracted the attention of Mr. Hearst, who took her to New York, where, with the Hearst papers, she soon became one of the recognized writers of the country. Everybody knows "Mirandy," the lovable old darky character, that has added fame and prestige to some of the leading magazines. "Mirandy" was only one of Mrs. Gilmer's many triumphs, and among others might be mentioned "Dorothy Dix Stuff" as it is taught in the School of Journalism in New York. It all deals with human relationship, and gets right down to the crux of things, sending flashes of hope and happiness to the tired heart, and giving a new and brighter view of dark and heavy problems.

When Mrs. Gilmer came on the Picayune she was young, green and totally inexperienced, and had only seen a big newspaper from the outside. But she had pluck as well as genius, and the two constituents walking hand in hand served as ready architects to the young woman's fortune. When asked how she came to write the Dorothy Dix articles, Mrs. Gilmer

Gold Brick Game Comes to Life in Lahaina Episode

That old gold-brick game, which has been featured in song and story on Broadway, has come to life once more and this time a Japanese fisherman has turned the gold brick into a mint but the mint proved to be a failure, and once more the villain in the play was thwarted in his deeply laid plans.

It is a far cry from Broadway to Lahaina, and the gold brickists of Maui are few and far between so the knight of the sampan decided to try the old game in a new field. The Japanese was heavily laden with debts, being somewhat in arrears to the butcher, the baker and likewise to the candlestick maker, and decided that he must make one dash for fortune.

One bright afternoon while making preparations to dash after the elusive kawakawa he spied a brick on the shores of Lahaina. And after much polishing decided that he had some virgin metal which would enrich him and erase his debts. He hurried to a Japanese watchmaker who told the fisherman that all that glitters is not gold, and the fisherman thereupon decided to jump in the lake.

After finding out that the brick was brass, the Japanese let it be known that he had found a block of gold, and as soon as it was made into coin he would pay the butcher, baker, etc. A story was published that the brick had been judged as worth \$30,000 by a Lahaina bank, and all was well with the Japanese. He was wine and dined and the skies had a golden hue, until some one spilled the beans, and instead of being worth \$30,000 the Japanese secured about \$2.50 for his find, and the butcher, maker and candlestick maker are hot on his trail.

ARNOLD SCORES COUNTY CLERK

In reply to the request of the board of supervisors that he furnish it with the official returns of the water and bond election, David Kalauckalani, county clerk, stated that it is impossible to give them as the returns from the fifth of the fourth and fifth of the twelfth were sealed in the bag with the ballots.

Arnold moved that the county clerk be instructed to confer with the attorney's department and have the matter taken before the supreme court and an official count obtained. It was passed.

Arnold then scored the county clerk, declaring that he should have already attended to the matter as he was in charge of the election and should have sent the returns to the board without a request.

Out of respect to the death of Senator Cecil Brown, the board of supervisors adjourned last night after being in session only 20 minutes. The news of his death was brought to the city hall and Supervisor Arnold immediately moved that all business be postponed until tonight, when the board will meet at 7:30 o'clock. This evening the board will hold the public hearing on Smith street widening.

EXCITING CHASE RECOVERS AUTO

An exciting chase through the streets of Honolulu yesterday after auto thieves resulted in the capture of Robert Scott and John C. Whitson, 15th century, Fort Ruger, who were turned over to military authorities yesterday charged with stealing the auto of Fred Miner from in front of the Young Hotel shortly before midnight.

Miner was just coming out of the lobby when he saw his car disappearing down Bishop street. He leaped into a car nearby and ordered the chauffeur to give chase. Mrs. Miner ran back into the hotel, calling for an officer, and Detective Abe Kalana responded and started out with her in a second machine.

The first pursuing machine with Miner aboard caught up with his car on King street, near Sheridan street, and Mounted Policemen J. B. Kramer, who was in that locality, placed the soldier under arrest. Only Scott was then in the car, but Whitson, who is supposed to have jumped out, was taken by Kramer later at Pawa junction.

Scott was caught in the act of taking another car some time ago by Deputy Sheriff Asch.

FEBRUARY "TORPEDO" IS FULL OF LIFE AND SNAP

"The Torpedo" for February is out and the little magazine that is published from the U. S. S. Albert submarine Division, Honolulu, is as bright and snappy as it ever appears. There are 36 pages filled with articles, editorials, new stories, gossip and jokes, and among these is to be found a tribute to late Admiral Dewey and a brief sketch of his career. There are some interesting naval statistics, too, between its covers and its fleet notes and navy yard news are brief and snappy.

Judd and Weight, Mrs. Philip Frear and Mr. and Mrs. John Gulick.

Forbes In Night Meeting Assails Engineers Investigating Piers

"Pier 9 Probe" Takes New Turn Before Harbor Board—Chairman Refuses to Accept Findings of Experts Engaged on Inquiry and Proposes Entirely New Plan—They Say It's Good But Too Expensive, Which He Denies—Atmosphere Tense as He Criticizes Their Work—Contractor Ordered to Proceed on Pier 10

Superintendent of Public Works Forbes opened a new and bitterly-discussed angle in the "pier investigation" at a special meeting of the harbor board, of which he is chairman, last night at the capitol.

In brief, these were the developments: He attacked the reports of the committee of engineers who investigated Piers 8, 9 and 10 in his absence on the mainland.

He declared them impracticable under the circumstances and too costly for the result they are designed to obtain.

He criticized, by inference and several times directly, the reports and the computations of the investigating board, repeatedly hinting that he believes the work they did entirely inadequate for the \$3600 fee charged by the three.

He engaged in several heated verbal passages with the engineers, particularly with Giles H. Gere, one of the three, and to a lesser extent with Carl B. Andrews and George W. Armitage, the other two.

Contradicting the findings of the investigating board, the chairman submitted to the board an entirely new scheme for the construction of Pier 9—the pier of the now-famous "bulge."

This new scheme, he told the board, had been worked out by himself and the engineers of his department.

This plan, he declared, would cost less by \$1803 than the plan lately approved by the board—the Gere plan. Forbes is Contradicted

Forbes' statement on this was contradicted by the engineers, who said that while they are not prepared to pass offhand on the details of his scheme, his figuring of the comparative cost is unfair and unsound.

Forbes made it plain that he backs this new scheme and is determined to have it adopted in place of the Gere plan, which the board approved in his absence and on which the contractor was ordered to proceed.

In action and in words he made it plain that he believes the findings of the investigating board are reflection upon him and his engineering knowledge and that he will not submit to this criticism.

Results of Meeting

The definite results of the meeting last night were mainly two-fold:

1. By motion the board asked all the engineers of the investigating board to submit all of their available data worked up in their investigation, Forbes having demanded this on the ground that the data should be checked over.

2. By motion the board directed the chairman to instruct the contractor, Lord Young Engineering Company, to proceed immediately with work on Pier 10, but that in the work a suction dredge shall not be used.

Work on Pier 9 is halted while the controversy over the alternative plans is being fought out.

The barring of use of the suction dredge is a result of the various charges that this dredging was partly responsible for impairing the pier work under investigation.

Two-Hour Session Is Tense

Incident piled on incident in the two-hour session last night. It was held in the harbor board room and was a public session. Those present of the harbor board were Chairman Forbes, Commissioners Wakefield, McCarthy and McChellan. Commissioner Church was unable to be present.

By invitation the investigating board—Andrews, Armitage and Gere—was also present. Aside from these, there were some engineers and subordinates of the public works department and a representative of the Star-Bulletin.

To grasp clearly the significance of last night's meeting, it might be briefly brought back to mind that the investigating board rendered a majority and minority report. Messrs. Andrews and Armitage rendered the first and Gere the minority report, and the board approved the latter and ordered work to proceed on it. When Forbes returned from the mainland, he objected to this immediately and work has been stopped on Pier 9.

Assails Gere's Computations

At the opening of the session last night Forbes handed around some yellow sheets on which was a good deal of figuring. He said these represented Engineer Gere's computations. Gere had not yet come in, and Forbes said these would be taken up later. He asked Armitage and Andrews if they had checked over Gere's figures and each other's computations, and received the answer that in a general way this had been done.

From the beginning Forbes referred frequently to what he termed the lack of data furnished the harbor board by the investigating engineers. "After Gere came in, this was reverted to, Forbes virtually demanded that Gere furnish all the figures he had and Gere said his office was torn up temporarily, but he would do what he could. Armitage said he would "see about" furnishing his computations. "That \$3600"

Forbes sharply reminded both that they had been "well paid" and Gere said, "That \$3600 seems to be worrying you, Mr. Forbes."

"It is," shot out the chairman. He then asked the board to pass a

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ADDITIONAL TELEGRAPH NEWS

TRAITOROUS GUARDSMAN GETS HEAVY SENTENCE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless) MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., March 7.—Paul Scharenberg, a member of Company 1, First Minnesota Infantry, national guard, has been sentenced to five years in the military prison at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, for selling military information to the German government. Confiding in one of the crack military organizations of the state guard, and but recently returned from a tour of duty on the Mexican border with his regiment.

GERMAN SECRET AGENTS ARRESTED IN HAVANA

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless) HAVANA, Cuba, March 7.—Two German secret agents have been arrested here, charged with charting the coast of the island by American detectives, who are engaged in hunting down the members of the so-called "Iron Cross Society," which was organized in Mexico with the avowed object of doing what damage was possible to the United States. For the most part, members of the society are German Americans who are reservists in the German army, but who have been prevented from going back to Germany by the British blockade of their fatherland.

INDICTED FOR SCUTTLING SHIP IN U. S. HARBOR

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless) CHARLESTON, S. C., March 7.—Indictments against the captain and eight officers and men of the German steamer Lebenfels, sunk by order of the German government in the harbor here, immediately after the severance of relations between this country and Germany, were returned yesterday in the local court. The Lebenfels crew deliberately opened her sea-cocks and allowed her to fill and sink, just to one side of the main channel.

CHINESE PRESS THINKS U. S. INSULTED BY JAPAN MINISTER

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless) PEKING, China, March 7.—The statement issued by Baron Motono, foreign minister of Japan, declaring that American financiers should cooperate with Japan for the development of China has aroused the press of this country. The Chinese Daily News declares that the commitment of any American interest into the keeping of Japan might, it is true, secure their materialization, but that the cost would be entirely too high for the United States to pay. American enterprises should "be kept free from the gross stain of inconsiderate commercialism," adds the paper.

TONGS IN FIGHTING MOOD; POLICE TAKE PRECAUTIONS

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless) SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., March 7.—The tong war is to go on if the tongmen can keep fighting, for the offer of the Chinese Peace Society made to the tong yesterday has been flatly declined with thanks by the fighting men. The police authorities of this and other cities, where the tongs are busy, are taking all manner of precautions. Here all Chinese are searched as they enter or leave the harbor, and a heavy patrol of officers has been stationed in Chinatown.

NO GERMAN CONSPIRATORS IN COLOMBIA, SAYS CONSUL

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless) WASHINGTON, D. C., March 7.—Julio Rotundo, minister to the United States from Colombia, issued a statement here last night denying reports that the German government has agents in his country conspiring against the peace of the United States. According to the reports, Rotundo says, have been at work in an effort to align the Colombian government with the Mexican force government in the plot to invade this country.

MILITIA OFFICER SENTENCED FIVE YEARS IN LEAVENWORTH

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless) WASHINGTON, D. C., March 7.—John B. Ringdon, a second lieutenant in the Second Arkansas Infantry, has been sentenced to five years' imprisonment at hard labor in a federal penitentiary and dismissed from the service. He has been charged with a variety of crimes, running from absence without leave to bigamy and embezzlement. The president has approved the sentence of the court-martial.

AMERICAN RELEASED BY JAPANESE UNDER BOND

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless) TOKYO, Japan, March 7.—Ralph Hoyt Thayer, an American, who was arrested here several days ago, charged with entering the forbidden radio section of Yokohama without authority, has been released on 600 yen bond.